Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 6899, with an Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

117TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION H.R.6899

To prohibit the Secretary of the Treasury from engaging in transactions involving the exchange of Special Drawing Rights issued by the International Monetary Fund that are held by the Russian Federation or Belarus.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 2, 2022

Mr. Hill introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Russia and Belarus
- 5 SDR Exchange Prohibition Act of 2022".

1	SEC. 2. SPECIAL DRAWING RIGHTS EXCHANGE PROHIBI-
2	TION.
3	(a) In General.—The Secretary of the Treasury
4	may not engage in any transaction involving the exchange
5	of Special Drawing Rights issued by the International
6	Monetary Fund that are held by the Russian Federation
7	or Belarus.
8	(b) ADVOCACY.—The Secretary of the Treasury
9	shall—
10	(1) vigorously advocate that the governments of
11	the member countries of the International Monetary
12	Fund, to the extent that the member countries issue
13	freely usable currencies, prohibit transactions involv-
14	ing the exchange of Special Drawing Rights held by
15	the Russian Federation or Belarus and
16	(2) direct the United States Executive Director
17	at each international financial institution (as defined
18	in section $1701(c)(2)$ of the International Financial
19	Institutions Act) to use the voice and vote of the
20	United States to oppose the provision of financial
21	assistance to the Russian Federation and Belarus,
22	except to address basic human needs of the civilian
23	population.
24	(c) Termination.—The preceding provisions of this
25	section shall have no force or effect on the earlier of—

1	(1) the date that is 5 years after the date of the
2	enactment of this Act; or
3	(2) 30 days after the date that the President
4	reports to the Congress that the governments of the
5	Russian Federation and Belarus have ceased desta-
6	bilizing activities with respect to the sovereignty and
7	territorial integrity of Ukraine.
8	(d) WAIVER.—The President may waive the applica-
9	tion of this section if the President reports to the Congress
10	that the waiver is in the national interest of the United
11	States and includes an explanation of the reasons therefor.